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The Cimarron Valley Has the Land, Climate and Water. Wanted---One Thousand Farmers

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SETTLERS COMING FAST

Cimarron Valley Being Rapidly Taken Up---Forty Stop At Springer

Another indication that the Cimarron valley is but starting toward a glorious future is evidenced by the great number of settlers flocking into the valley. The Springer Stockman is authority for the statement that over forty settlers purchased land from the French Land & Irrigation company at Springer last week. Springer lies at the lower end of the valley and is surrounded by as fine land as can be found in the world. Large development and irrigation companies have purchased immense tracts of land between here and Springer, and this land is going to the Middle West farmer nearly as fast as it can be placed on the market. Whatever helps the Cimarron valley is of great aid to Cimarron, and the Citizen wishes the neighboring city all the good luck and prosperity in the world. Springer is bound to grow, and so is Cimarron. Their interests are identical. The same land surrounds them. The same river flows through them, and they have the same sort of hustling, enterprising business men. Both Cimarron and Springer have the development of the fertile Cimarron valley deeply at heart, and with the present accord between the people of each, the two cities will make a combination hard to beat, and both will welcome the new town of Colfax into the booming which both are now engaged in.

CAPITAL IS PLEASED

EASTERN CAPITALISTS SURPRISED AND PLEASED WITH CIMARRON.

Last Wednesday evening the party of Eastern capitalists who made a trip to Cimarron, left on a special for Raton and the East over the St. Louis, Rocky Mountain & Pacific. The party, which was out in New Mexico investigating the interests represented by Fiske & Robinson, the big New York underwriters, consisted of Messrs. Chas. W. Jones of Boston, Chas. H. Newell of Providence, Thos. G. Cook of New York, F. A. Singleton and Wm. A. Tracy of Boston, and Chas. Counselman of Chicago. These gentlemen came to Cimarron last Tuesday evening in the special car conducted by Mr. Jan van Houten of the Swastika road. After spending the night at Cimarron the private car was taken out over the Cimarron & N. W. to the end of the line up in Ponil canon, Mr. Frankenburg having the party in charge. At the Woods mill the party were met by carriages and taken to Ute Park by way of Elizabethtown, where they were again met by the special and brought back to Cimarron for a late dinner at the Swastika hotel. All members of the party expressed themselves as being very much impressed with Cimarron and the resources which surround it. They stated that they were having the time of their lives and that Cimarron was certainly to be heard from in the near future.

ELOPES WITH WIFE

WOOLFE ELOPES WITH WIFE OF IRA FISKE--FOLLOWED COUPLE TO CIMARRON.

Cimarron had a touch of scandal last week, and this staid and moral old young town has not yet recovered from the shock. Ira Fiske has been working at the Pratt mill in Metcalf canon, and so had Wolfe. Wolfe became enamored with Fiske's wife, and the lady in question returned the affection. It is said that Wolfe went to Fiske and told him that he was going to run off with the wife of the other man. Be this as it may, Fiske followed the guilty couple to Cimarron, and had some high words with Wolfe in front of the Oxford hotel. Friends interfered, and nothing but hot words passed between the two men. When the train left the station Fiske was on hand to make a last plea, but his argument was of no avail, so he calmly walked into the barber shop and

NEW CHURCH PROJECTED

POSSIBILITY OF A NEW CATHOLIC CHURCH FOR CIMARRON--PLANS ARE PROMISED

It would seem that Cimarron is going to boom in an unbelievable manner this spring, if all the indications are of any moment. A new school house will be built, numerous buildings are planned, and everything is awakening. On top of all this comes the announcement that there is every possibility of a new Catholic church being built in the near future. The local mission, presided over by Father Seller of Springer, is talking of erecting a fine little stone or brick church. While it would be a great strain on the mission, its members are cheerfully planning to make every sacrifice and provide for a new and substantial place of worship. No small credit is due Architect Cassidy of Raton, who has generously offered to draw up the plans and specifications for the building, and to donate his time and labor free of charge. Mr. Cassidy is an architect of worth, any building that he may design is sure to be a credit to Cimarron as well as to those who build it.

ordered a shave with all the trimmings, remarking that Wolfe didn't know what he was getting. The authorities at Raton were notified, so the citizen is informed, and the guilty couple intercepted there are placed under arrest, being now held to await action of the grand jury.

ABE HUMMEL TO SAIL FOR EUROPE THURSDAY

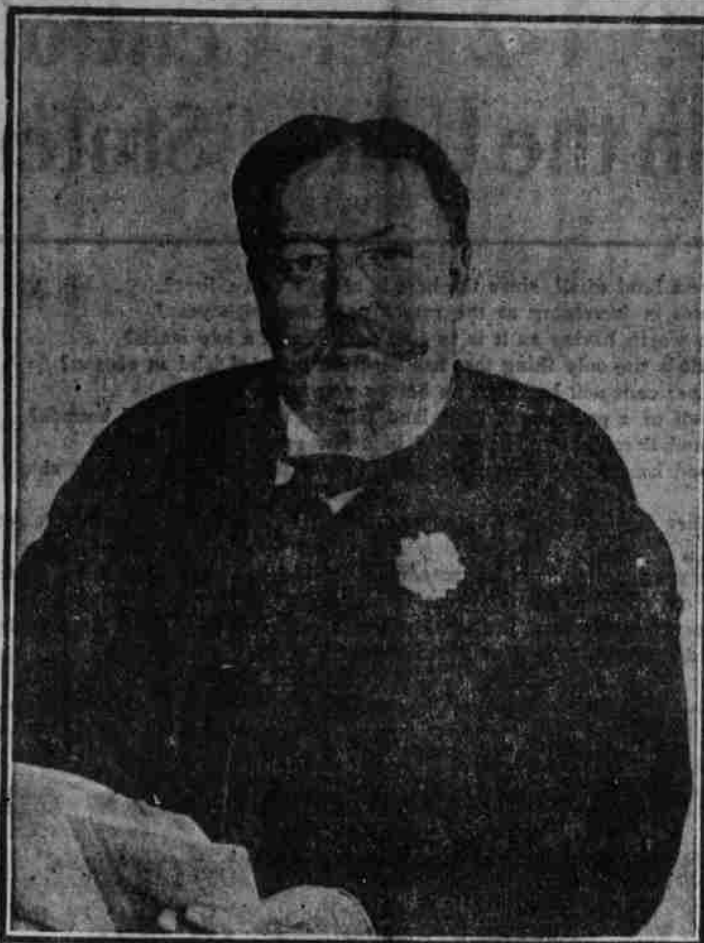
New York, March 16.—Abraham H. Hummel, a lawyer who is serving a term on Blackwell's island for subornation of perjury in connection with the famous Dodge-Morse divorce case, will be released Thursday. Hummel began serving his year's sentence May 20th last, but his time has been cut down by good behavior. It is stated that the lawyer intends to sail for Europe immediately after his release.

WAGNER EXONERATED

Grand Junction, Colo., March 16.—John Wagner, who shot and killed John King Saturday at their ranch five miles south of here, was today exonerated of the charge of murder by the coroner's jury. It developed during the inquiry that Kink had killed the sheriff at Provo, Utah, and that he had plotted to murder another officer.

WORKMEN INJURED

Florence, Colo., March 16.—James Foster, a workman employed in the erection of the I. O. O. F. hall at this place, was probably fatally injured here today by falling from a runaway.



A LATE PICTURE OF SECRETARY TAFT.

William Howard Taft, secretary of war and leading Republican presidential candidate, was born in Cincinnati Sept. 15, 1857. A graduate of Yale and Cincinnati Law school, he began work as a reporter. In 1887 he became judge of the superior court of Cincinnati; in 1890 he was appointed United States solicitor general; in 1892 he became United States circuit judge; in March, 1900, he went to the Philippines, to organize the American government there; Feb. 1, 1904, he was appointed secretary of war. He has rendered conspicuous service in the Philippines; in negotiations with Pope Leo; in Cuba; in Panama; and to American interests throughout the world.

NEGROES RALLYING TO TAFT'S SUPPORT

REALIZE COLOR HAD NO INFLUENCE IN ROOSEVELT'S BROWNSVILLE DECISION.

Hold Men Should Be Judged by Life Record of Friendship to Dark Races.

Prominent colored Republicans in all sections of the United States are rallying to the standard of Secretary of War William H. Taft in increasing numbers. They hold that an injustice is done to Secretary Taft and President Roosevelt, by condemning them for one administrative act in which it is admitted that color was not a consideration. They believe, justly, that the president and Secretary Taft in their relations to the negro race should be judged by their every action as officials and citizens, when a question of race was involved, and not by one single instance which might, for selfish motives, and by misrepresentation, be construed against them.

They are recalling that but a few months ago colored men generally were praising the president and the secretary of war as among the best friends the race ever had in such high executive positions. They remember vividly appointments which have been made by the president against the opposition of those now pretending friendship for the negro. They also bear in mind the great work for humanity which Secretary Taft has done in his treatment of the millions of the dark races in the Philippines and Cuba.

SCHOOL WILL ASKS PARDON FOR MOORE

CIMARRON SCHOOL CHILDREN WILL MAKE EXHIBIT AT ALBUQUERQUE FAIR--HARD AT WORK.

Not to be outdone by the farmers, the ranchmen, the truck gardener, or anyone else in the vicinity of Cimarron, the school children are now busily engaged in making ready for a monster exhibit at the Springer fair this fall and also the meeting of the National Irrigation congress to be held at Albuquerque next September. It is one of the plans to show the visiting thousands from all over the country that New Mexico (Continued on Page 4, Column 5)

NEW THEATER FOR CITY

Plan To Give Cimarron A Theatre--H.K. Grubbs May Build in Near Future.

H. K. Grubbs, the popular proprietor of the Legal Tender, is now planning to build a new and substantial building on lots one and two of block forty four. These lots are on the corner of Lincoln ave. and 11th street. The building as now planned will be about fifty by one hundred and forty feet, and a one story building. It will be built of brick or stone and will be so planned that a second or a third story can easily be added in the future. At one end a large and commodious stage is being planned, and the building will have large doors both front and side, and a stage entrance. Commensal dressing rooms are being planned, and if built, scenery and theatre fixtures of an up to date style and manufacture will be installed. Mr. Grubbs states that for the present at least, chairs will be placed in the building so that the room can be used as a dance hall. But the principal object of the building will be to provide a place for public gatherings of all sorts, shows, lectures and entertainments of all kinds. It is estimated that the building alone will cost about three thousand dollars, while the fixtures and furniture will cost half as much more. Being situated as the building will be, midway between the new and the old town, there is no doubt but that the location will be of great advantage both to Mr. Grubbs and to those who use the building.

REPUBLICANS HOLD CAUCUS

CIMARRON DELEGATES TO COUNTY CONVENTION SELECTED--MEETING ENTHUSIASTIC.

Last Wednesday evening the Republicans of Cimarron met in caucus at the store room formerly occupied by Charette Bros. The meeting was well attended by an enthusiastic number of Republicans. Mr. Juan Charette presided in a most efficient manner as chairman of the caucus, and after secretary Frank Ornelas had read the call, the business of selecting delegates to the county convention to be held at Raton was undertaken. J. B. Charette, Geo. H. Webster, Geo. E. Remley and E. Charette were chosen to represent Cimarron. After a stirring speech by Geo. H. Webster, in which he pledged himself and associated delegates to the interests of Cimarron and the Republican party, the speaker asked for hearty support of both Democrats and Republicans in making the exhibits of Cimarron and Colfax county at the big Albuquerque Irrigation congress the best shown. Mr. Webster pointed out that making a big and meritorious exhibit was of political significance, in that New Mexico would thereby have her chance of statehood made greater, by showing to the world at large what she is and what she can do. A large number of those present pledged themselves to do all in their power to help the good work along.

ACTOR IS FREED OF A SERIOUS CHARGE

New York, March 16.—Raymond Hitchcock, the comedian, was today acquitted by direction of Justice Blanchard in the supreme court of the charges brought by several young girls, after one girl testified that the allegations she made against the actor were untrue.

Hitchcock is one of the best known comic opera comedians in the country. He starred in "The Yankee Consul" and later in "The Yankee Tourist" which play he was giving at the time he was arrested. His wife, Flora Zabelle, also played a leading part in this production. During the recent trouble she has refused to believe a word of the charges against her husband.

BEGIN WORK THIS MONTH

H. C. McCoy, one of the large contractors of this part of the country was in the city a few days ago on business. Mr. McCoy states that he made a bid on the work of constructing a big reservoir for Mr. Webster on the McCormick ranch, and that it is possible that the work will begin about the 20th of this month.

SUGAR BEET MAN HERE

INVESTIGATES SUGAR BEET LAND AROUND CIMARRON--MAY HAVE FACTORY LOCATED HERE.

Cimarron has long known that its immediate vicinity can raise the best sugar beets in the world. At Garden City, Kan., the center of the beet sugar industry of the country, a crop of beets, bearing sixteen to eighteen per cent saccharine matter is considered something great. Beets have been raised in this end of the Cimarron valley that bear over twenty-three per cent sugar. J. H. Alpine of Council Bluffs, Iowa, was in Cimarron last week investigating the possibilities of the beet lands around Cimarron, with a view of financing a beet sugar factory in the immediate vicinity. What the outcome of his visit among us is to be, the Citizen has been unable to ascertain, but if the people Mr. Alpine represents are willing to spend their money on a certain thing they could do no better than to put in a plant in the Cimarron valley.

TO OPEN RESORT

CIMARRON SUBURB AT UTE PARK WILL HAVE SUMMER RESORT--BEAUTIFUL PLACE

The St. Louis, Rocky Mountain & Pacific railroad will open a summer resort at Ute park, Cimarron's most beautiful suburb. While it is not the present plan to go into the summer resort business on an extensive of large scale, the railroad will make that already beautiful place still more attractive with a view of ultimately making it a great gathering place for summer residents and tourists. The altitude is such as to make Ute Park a most delightful place in summer, and the scenery is superb. The present building will be somewhat remodelled and the best of accommodations will be placed in it. An up-to-date hotel man will be placed in charge, and every comfort will be provided. With these changes, the new resort will make a most excellent place for a short outing, and it is probable that Cimarron business men will take advantage of it as a place to spend the week's end, and some are even talking of erecting summer cottages. If the railroad automobile is again placed in commission, one could run into Cimarron every morning during the summer and return to Ute Park in the evening after a day spent in business.